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31 March 1948

My dear Captain Pechlmann:

I have been requested by the State-Army-Navy Air Force Coordinating Subcommittee on Special Studies and Evaluations to express to you its profound appreciation of your valuable contributions in this field of interdepartmental cooperation. The services which you have rendered as a member of the Subcommittee since its establishment and the many constructive ideas which you have advanced in the course of your tenure have been of the greatest value in the advancement of the purposes of our joint mission.

It is with deep regret that I see you relinquishing your relationship for the time being to these purposes. Please accept my good wishes and those of the other members of the Subcommittee in your new assignment.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph Block
Chairman, Subcommittee on
Special Studies and Evaluations
of State-Army-Navy-Air Force
Coordinating Committee

OSD & DOS review(s) completed.

Captain Karl F. Pechlmann, USN

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30 March 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Subject: Meeting of SANACC Subcommittee on Psychological Warfare

1. The SANACC Subcommittee on Psychological Warfare met at 0930 today in Mr. Block's office with the following members present:

Chairman - Mr. Ralph Block	- State Department
Comdr. David Knoll	- Navy Department
Capt. Earl Peshlans	- Navy Department
Col. Clyde Rich	- Air Force
Col. William McNamee	- Army Department
[Redacted]	- CIA

2. The Chairman informed the Subcommittee members that a SANACC meeting was scheduled for tomorrow (Wednesday) to act on the proposed skeleton organization for NSIA. The question then posed for the Subcommittee was "where do we go from here?" It was Mr. Block's idea that we should begin the examination of the type of organization that would be required to carry on psychological warfare under Theatre Commanders. Colonel McNamee was never very strong for this idea, and Colonel Rich was vehemently against it. Accordingly, after much discussion, it was decided that the next work assignment for the Subcommittee would be to examine into the functions of the various Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government to ascertain what functions would contribute to the organization of NSIA, and to what extent these organizations would be used. The Navy member is to work up a paper on this subject and present it to the Subcommittee next Friday.

3. During the meeting, Mr. Block received word that the Army had already approved the paper which had been sent to SANACC.

4. Members of the Subcommittee signed a testimonial letter to Captain Peshlans thanking him for his display of energy and his numerous weighty contributions to the activities of the Subcommittee. With this action, each of us bid the Captain bon voyage, and the meeting adjourned.

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MEMBER, ICAPS

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